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### THE NEW YORK LATIN CLUB

The first meeting of the New York Latin Club for 1915-1916 was held on November 6, at Hunter College. Professor Walter Dennison, of Swarthmore College, delivered a paper, illustrated by lantern slides, on The Military Operations of Julius Caesar in France and Belgium.

The Club voted to affiliate with The Classical Association of New York State, and to send ten delegates to the meeting of Monday evening, November 22, at which the Council of that Association, consisting of two members from each County in the State, was to be formed.

M. F. LAWTON, *Secretary*.

### THE BALTIMORE CLASSICAL CLUB

The Baltimore Classical Club held its first meeting for the current year in the Donovan Room, The Johns Hopkins University, on November 13. About sixty members were present. Professor Duane Reed Stuart, of Princeton University, addressed the Club on Modern Criticism of the Suetonian Life of Vergil.

MARY E. HUDGINS, *Secretary-Treasurer*.

### THE CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK STATE

The Classical Association of New York State held its first annual meeting at Rochester, November 22-24, in connection with the meeting of The State Teachers Association. The attendance was large, from all parts of the State. From the programme as given in THE CLASSICAL WEEKLY 9.48 there were three departures. Professor John I. Bennett replied in Greek, not in Latin, to the Salutatio. Professor Knapp was unable to come to Rochester: he spent November 22-24 in Chicago, in attendance on the meeting of the Committee of Review of the Commission on the Reorganization of Secondary Education, as representative of the Subcommittee on Ancient Languages. Instead of a demonstration Professor Place read a paper.

Miss Wye's initiation of a group of Public School pupils into Latin, through the Direct Method, was watched with great interest. Some criticisms of the method employed were made by Mr. Otis, of the Waterville High School, and Mr. Terry, of Cazenovia Seminary, and were answered by Miss Wye. Miss MacVay's paper on the Value of One Year of Greek was interesting and suggestive. The motion pictures of Julius Caesar were elaborate and, despite many historical inaccuracies, made of antiquity a real and living thing. At a joint session with the English and the Commercial Sections Mr. A. S. Perkins, of the Dorchester High School, Boston, made an excellent address, full of practical and helpful ideas, on Latin in its relation to English as a Vocational Subject. Unfortunately there was insufficient opportunity for discussion.

At the Wednesday morning session Dr. Gray gave a demonstration, with a group of children from one of the Grammar Schools, of the First Day in the Latin Class. Professor Place made a forceful address on the Dramatic Element in Caesar; he spoke also of a pamphlet prepared by Professor Bushnell and himself, containing a Study of Requirements in Eastern, Southern, and Middle-Western Colleges and Universities with reference to Latin and Greek, copies of which were distributed among the members—a serviceable document for all defenders of the Classics against the

encroachments of other subjects. The crowning feature of the morning programme was the appearance of Ex-President Taft, who was welcomed with great enthusiasm. He made a genial and effective tribute to the study of Latin and Greek as essential in any general education, even if a man forgets them later, since they furnish the best of mental disciplines and the only true background for all other studies. He closed with words of warm encouragement for teachers of the Classics: the 'progressives' have had their day, and the sun is rising for the 'reactionaries'!

The reflection of the entire staff of officers (see THE CLASSICAL WEEKLY 8.88) was a tribute to the hard work done and the significant progress achieved during the past year.

A fitting climax to a most interesting meeting was given in the repetition of the Alcestis in English by pupils of the East High School, a memorable performance, remarkable for the earnestness and spirit of the youthful actors and for the admirable work of the chorus—perhaps the most satisfying chorus that has ever interpreted a Greek tragedy to an American audience—which gave unity and beauty to the whole production and showed convincingly that the chorus is the most important element in the Athenian drama. If this meeting of classical teachers had done nothing more than give the opportunity of receiving so direct and vital an impression of the beauty and nobility and human appeal of one small bit of Greek literature, the gathering in Rochester would have been highly educational and eminently worth while.

H. H. YEAMES.

### CLASSICAL ARTICLES IN NON-CLASSICAL PERIODICALS

- American Lutheran Survey—Sept. 8, Discovery of Greek Papyrus, R. C. Horn.
- Architectural Record—May and June, Roman Architecture and its Critics, A. D. F. Hamlin.
- Athenaeum—Oct. 9, Clio Ill-dressed = (Jordan, The Great Historians of Ancient and Modern Times); The Pennmachno Inscription, H. Johnson.
- Atlantic Monthly—Oct., The Extirpation of Culture, K. F. Gerould.
- Columbia University Quarterly—Sept., The Stadium and the Greek Plays, E. D. P.
- Edinburgh Review—Oct., Greek Athletics and Military Training, F. A. Wright.
- Educational Review—Sept., Entrance Examinations in Latin, N. G. McCrea—Oct., The Spell of Aristotle, W. R. Newbold.
- Nation—Oct. 21, Notes = (Harvard Studies in Classical Philology, Vol. 26)—Nov. 11, Notes = (Gilbert Murray, The Stoic Philosophy; Einhard's Life of Charlemagne, edited by Garrod and Mowat).
- National Geographic Magazine—Oct., Greece of Today [illustrated], G. H. Moses.
- Quarterly Review—Oct., Greek Poetry in English Verse, T. E. Page.
- Spectator—Oct. 30, With the Immortals, S. C. Kaines-Smith, = [sortes from Verg. Aen. 10. 80; Soph. O. T. 463-474; Hom. Od. 7. 124-126; Herod. 6. 83]; An Early Allusion to Pacifists, C. B. = [Ov. Am. 2. 6, cited from N. Y. Nation, Oct. 14].
- Times (London) Weekly Edition, Literary Supplement—Oct. 1, A Mistranslation in Virgil's Georgics, T. Okey [1. 266, *rubra virga* = red osier, *salix rubra*].—Oct. 8, A "Mistranslation" in Virgil's Georgics, J. E. Sandys, Mary Abbott.—Oct. 15, A "Mistranslation" in Virgil's Georgics, T. Okey, C. W. B. C. L. Davies; A Grecian Tale Retold, Edwyn Bevan [Herod. 9. 115 ff.; Gallipoli].—Oct. 22, Latin Literature = (M. S. Dimsdale, A History of Latin Literature); A Macaulay Manuscript [unpublished Latin Poem, 1830]; A "Mistranslation" in Virgil's Georgics, G. Birdwood, A. Maquarie, W. P. Ellmore.—Oct. 29, A "Mistranslation" in Virgil's Georgics, T. Okey.
- Times (London) Educational Supplement—Oct. 5, Caesar and the Belgae.
- Yale Review—Oct., Faces in the Roman Crowd, A. C. E. Allinson; Ferrero, Greatness and Decline of Rome. Ancient Rome and Modern America, Between the Old World and the New (W. C. Abbott).